
Subject: FW: Zelkwas Ave Proposal

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To: Mayor Lynn Hall and the Prince George City Council
Re: Rezoning Application for the construction of Harmony House
Date: February 21, 2021

Amended Letter from previous letter submitted on Monday, February 15th, 2021

I want to express my concern to you, Mayor Lynn Hall and City Council, about the proposal on Zelkwas Ave that has been proposed by Trinity United Church, Phoenix Transition Society(Harmony House), and BC Housing. At this point in time, I'm against the proposal for a few issues.

Traffic is one of the biggest concerns that I have with this project and how Trinity United Church never addressed the issue of the back alley of 5th Avenue duplexes next to the church, and how they use the parking lot as a street for a shortcut to their homes. Also, lack of parking for Krell Wellness Center and how Krell uses the parking lot of the church for their employees. Customers park on the street and small parking lot of the building.

Another issue is that when my brother contacted Rev. Bob Fillier in regards to this project months ago to get any information from him and he said they would talk when he came back from holidays and never did. I would have appreciated if the Rev. Bob would have come around the neighborhood and talked to us about the project and what the needs for this type of project would have benefited this community. They did this behind our backs and everyday we learn something new.

I was reading a letter that was sent to the City of Prince George Council members on January 28, 2021 by the Chairperson, Mrs. Gabriele Slater and Rev. Bob Fillier. In this letter, it describes that this proposed facility would be used by Indigenous and Metis peoples and the word that they both used in the letter is that the community around the proposed site were Xenophobic. How can I be Xenophobic if we were never informed in the meeting of December with all the parties that this Harmony House would house Indigenous and Metis people. To say this about me, a first generation Italian, is very hurtful. My late Dad and Mom worked hard to put food on the table in a new country with a new language and made a life for themselves and their family. I understand that all people need help and people with these types of problems need help to escape the situation they are living. But when we don't have all the facts to base a fair decision on, it could show that we are Xenophobic. Rev. Bob and Mrs. Slater don't know my Mom, brother or myself to make such a statement. I wish that one day, as Christian people, could publicly or privately offer an apology.

Trinity United Church, BC Housing, and Phoenix Transition Society did not give us all the facts. Before I can agree to this project, I would like to know how it will look? Will it be one building or two? How high will it be? Will it be 3 floors like the one on Spruce Street between 17th and 20th? Will the side of church facing the back alley of the duplexes be fenced off? Will their be RCMP patrolling the area at all times? How will this project affect our streets and traffic? How many

people will be housed in this project? We've only been told 14, but we have heard that they are moving the whole operation to this location. Also, for the scope of this project being an important issue that will affect all parties, I think Mayor Lynn Hall and City Council should have a open meeting to the public so that we can talk on the matter before council makes a final decision.

But if Mayor Lynn Hall and City Council decides to give the go ahead to this project, as good neighbors, I will help with the transition of this project into our neighborhood and be a great neighbor to them like we have been for the last 32 years. Thank you so much for taking the time to read my email. I hope in the future, if you need our help, we can be there for you. Have a wonderful day!

Sincerely,

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